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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

STUELPNAGEL, et al.

Serial No.: 09/606,369

Filed: June 28, 2000

For: COMPOSITE ARRAYS
UTILIZING MICROSpheres
WITH A HYBRIDIZATION
CHAMBER

Examiner: W. H. Beisner

Group Art Unit: 1744

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA, 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 26, 2004 for the noted case. This response is timely filed prior to or on the deadline of July 26, 2004. The Applicants believe that no additional fees are due. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees, including any extension fees, claim fees, or other relief as may be required or credit any

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overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Our Order No. A-67493-3/RMS/DCF [469249-52]).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.